

ANNUAL REPORT OF MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR WATCHET
FOR 1946.

I am glad to be able to report that the health of the Town has remained at its usual high level.

The total population of the town is 2,387.

The total number of births during the year was 51.

The total number of deaths was 31. Of these 18 were males and 13 were females.

The following is a list of the causes of death:-

Males Cancer 1, Cerebral Haemorrhage 2, Heart Disease 8, T.B. 1,
 Other respiratory disorders 2, Digestive disorders 2,
 Other causes 3.

Females Cancer 3, Cerebral Haemorrhage 2, Heart Disease 1, Arterial
 Disease 1, Pneumonia 2, Digestive disorders 1, Childbirth 2,
 Diabetes 1, Other causes 1.

The Water Supply is still inadequate. This is particularly so in the summer, the reservoir not receiving a sufficient supply, and more being used by the influx of visitors.

Scavenging is still carried out with inadequately covered carts. This as I have pointed out in previous reports is highly unsatisfactory. Covered carts should be used with well fitting covers.

Sewage Disposal. This too is unsatisfactory, sewers opening as they do into the Harbour. Just before the War the Council were considering dealing with the matter. It would be wise to reconsider it in the near future.

I would like to say that in these three points there is always a possibility of a dangerous situation arising. It is a remarkable tribute to the very healthy climatic conditions of the town that none of these three conditions either singly or in combination have caused trouble.

J. ERSKINE-COLLINS.

THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES
1841

A. D. 1841. The year of the discovery of gold in California.

The discovery of gold in California.

The discovery of gold in California.

The discovery of gold in California.

The discovery of gold in California.

The discovery of gold in California.

The discovery of gold in California.

The discovery of gold in California.

The discovery of gold in California.

The discovery of gold in California.

The discovery of gold in California.

The discovery of gold in California.

The discovery of gold in California.